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TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Tom Munson, Senior Reclamation Specialist

RE:

Site Inspection, Red Sandstone Quarry, M/053/073, Washington County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

May 24, 2002

Time of Inspection:

10:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon

Conditions:

Sunny

Participants:

Tom Munson, UDOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To determine if the site qualifies as a mine.

## **Observations:**

I arrived onsite to see a track hoe excavating large boulders and chunks of red sandstone. In addition to this, there was crushing and sorting equipment operating onsite and what looked like piles of sorted decorative landscape rock. I walked the perimeter of what I assumed to be their property and the GPS area file determined 9.59 acres.( see the attached map and pictures). I gave a copy of the rules to the trackhoe operator, an hourly employee, and asked that he pass them along to his boss, Mr. Ron Stout (435-680-6662) and Scott Stratton (435-467-4966). I terminated the inspection at about 12 Noon.

## **Conclusions and Recommendations:**

This operation is blasting and excavating stone. Therefore, Mr. Stout and Mr. Stratton fall under the Mining and Reclamation Program. It is my recommendation that we send them a letter informing them of our decision and require them to submit a large mining permit before continuing with their operation. They should also be required to post an interim bond until the mine plan is approved.

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